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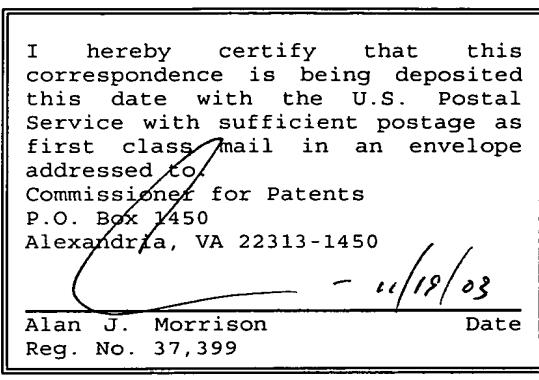
Applicants hereby request an additional three-month extension of time for filing a response to the May 19, 2003 Final Office Action. A response to the Office Action was originally due on August 19, 2003. The fee for an additional three-month extension of time is FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$475.00) for a small entity and a check for that amount is enclosed. With the additional three-month extension, a response to the May 19, 2003 Final Office Action is due November 19, 2003. Accordingly, the subject application is pending today for the purpose of filing a Notice of Appeal.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$475.00 fee for an additional three-month extension, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of

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